

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Status of Claims:

No claims are currently being canceled or added.

Claims 1-12 are currently being amended.

This amendment amends claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-12 are now pending in this application.

Indication of Allowable Subject Matter:

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter made in the Office Action with respect to claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12.

Claim Rejections:

In the Office Action, claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,764,866 to Maniwa. This rejection is traversed with respect to the presently pending claims under rejection, for at least the reasons given below.

In the pending independent claims 1, 5 and 9, if scanned image information is improper, related processing is canceled in accordance with a user's cancellation instruction (verification result) based on the output processing result. With this structure, according to the present invention, it is unnecessary for the user to confirm the processing contents by using a PC or the like. Accordingly, the user can confirm the processing contents in a more efficient manner.

Maniwa does not disclose or suggest outputting a processing result of processing associated with a designation button, thereby executing processing in accordance with the verification result based on the processing result. Furthermore, Maniwa does not disclose or suggest a controller that cancels information read by the scanner when cancellation of second processing is instructed after executing first processing, and in which the controller executes the second processing when execution of the first processing is instructed. Accordingly, the presently pending claims under rejection are not anticipated by Maniwa.

Please note that support for the amendments to the independent claims may be found, for example, in steps ST9 to ST 12 in FIG. 4.

Conclusion:

Since there are no other objections or rejections raised in the Office Action that have not been addressed in this Amendment and Reply, Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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